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CITY ATTORNEY WILL PROVIDE BACKGROUND REVIEWS FOR CITY NOMINEES TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

San Diego, CA: The Office of the City Attorney will begin providing background reviews of City nominees to major boards and commissions such as the Port Authority, Water Authority, Qualcomm Stadium Advisory Board and the Ethics Commission.

In a letter today to the Mayor and City Council, City Attorney Michael Aguirre stated, "San Diegans have a vital interest in being represented only by those appointees who are of the highest caliber."

The review will include a thorough check of the accuracy of nominee's resume, (educational credentials, prior employment, and professional experience).

"Although, these background checks may entail some compromise of the privacy of prospective appointees, they are justified in light of the reasonable needs of the citizens of San Diego," said City Attorney Aguirre. "In addition, a heightened scrutiny of nominees will preclude problems that have occurred in the past over certain appointments."

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